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WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

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TO: Washington State Board of Health Members

FROM: Don Sloma, Executive Director

RE: DRAFT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUED PUBLIC HEALTH

FUNDING

Background and Summary:

At the Board's November meeting, Board member Neva Corkrum presented several draft public health funding and policy positions of the Washington State Association of Counties. The position statements involved immunization policy, tobacco prevention, the drinking water program, and continuation of base funding for public health. Subsequent to the Board meeting, WSAC adopted statements substantially similar to those reviewed by the Board(please see WSAC position statements attached) Ms. Corkrum in October for some statement of support from the Board for these positions. After some discussion, the Board asked that staff review the Board's authority to adopt such statements of support, and directed that a specific draft resolution be prepared for the Board's consideration. Mr. Dygert, Assistant Attorney General to the Board has a report on the legal questions. The attached draft resolution responds to the request for a document the Board might consider.

Recommended Board Motion:

The Board adopts the Draft Resolution 00-002 --- Maintenance of Funds for Existing Public Health Capacity and Policies, including Immunization and Tobacco Prevention.